

Department of Health and Hospitals Center for Preventive Health

AUGUST 29, 2008

TO:

AUTHORIZED LA WIC VENDORS

FROM:

TRICIA GUIDROZ, MA

LA WIC VENDOR MANAGER

RE:

EMERGENCY PROVISIONS

In accordance with information from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), the Louisiana WIC Program is enacting the following emergency provision for parishes where official evacuations have been/will be ordered:

LOUISIANA WIC VENDORS LOCATED IN PARISHES WHERE EVACUATIONS HAVE BEEN/WILL BE ORDERED IN RELATION TO HURRICANE GUSTAV, ARE ALLOWED TO ACCEPT LOUISIANA WIC FOOD INSTRUMENTS WITH A VALID DATE OF SEPTEMBER, 2008 DURING THE PERIOD OF AUGUST 29-31, 2008.

THESE FOOD INSTRUMENTS SHOULD BE DEPOSITED AS NORMAL. THE LOUISIANA WIC'S CONTRACTED BANKING SERVICE HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED ON HOW TO HANDLE THESE FOOD INSTRUMENTS.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact us at (504) 361-6725.

Cc:

SA Nutritionists

Regional Nutritionist, I Regional Nutritionist, III Regional Nutritionist, IV Regional Nutritionist, V